

# MOSQUITO CONTROL

## ADVICE FOR THE HOMEOWNER

### Locate Mosquito Breeding Sites:

If you are unable to locate breeding sites, call your local mosquito control program and request that one of their personnel help locate these sites.

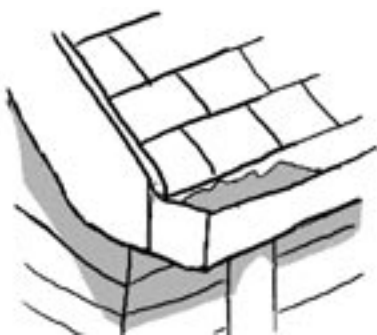
*Typical mosquito breeding sites are:*

- ▲ Low areas that hold water for several days.
- ▲ River and stream floodplains.
- ▲ Drainage ditches that hold water.
- ▲ Tires.
- ▲ Bird baths.
- ▲ Unmaintained swimming pools.
- ▲ Tree holes.
- ▲ Containers that hold water:  
cans, bottles, flower pots, boats, buckets, roof gutters, etc.



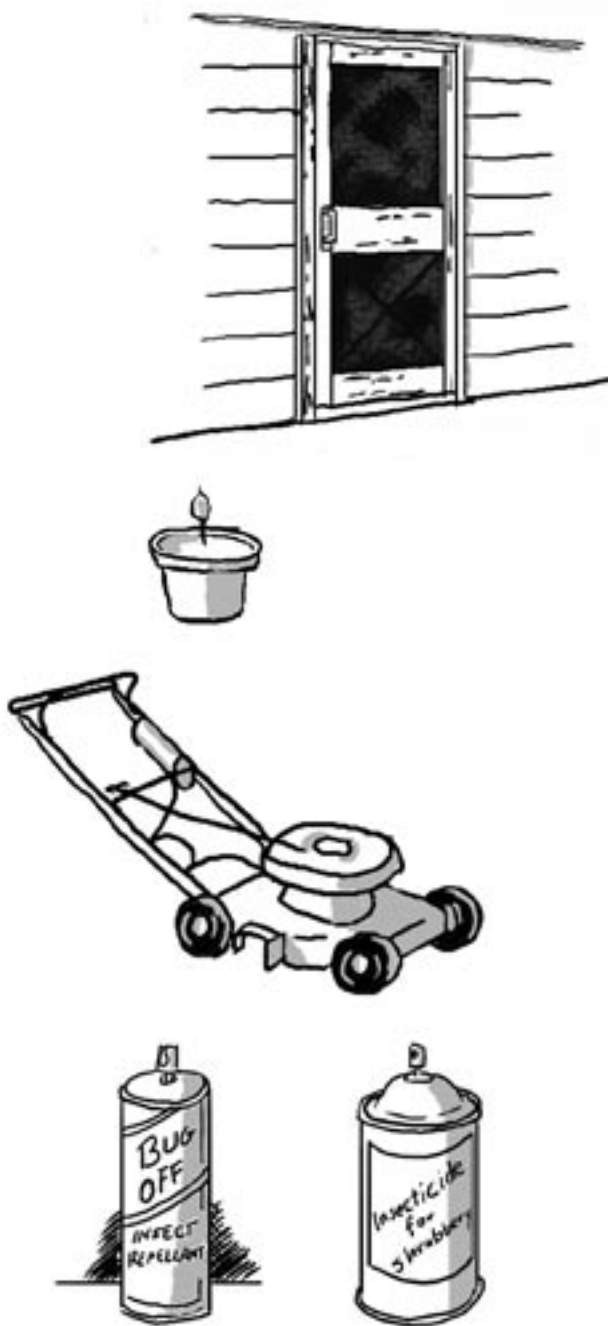
### Drain, Fill Or Eliminate Any Area That Holds Water:

- ▲ Clean drainage ditches of debris and weeds.
- ▲ Tree holes may be packed with sand or cement.
- ▲ Maintain swimming pools with proper pool chemicals.
- ▲ Stock ornamental pools/ponds with mosquito-eating fish.
- ▲ Containers should be emptied and overturned.
- ▲ Gutters should be cleaned out regularly.
- ▲ Change water in bird baths and flower cuttings every few days.
- ▲ Keep boats drained and covered/overturned.



# Protect Yourself From Adult Mosquitoes:

- ▲ Use screens on windows and doors.
- ▲ Keep your car windows rolled up and garage doors closed at night.
- ▲ Use yellow light bulbs for outside lighting purposes.
- ▲ Wear long sleeved shirts and long trousers.
- ▲ Keep your shrubs and grass trimmed.
- ▲ Check with your veterinarian about heartworm testing and preventive medicine for your dog(s).
- ▲ Use aerosol insecticide dispensers; insecticide dusts can be used on shrubbery.
- ▲ Many products are marketed to control or repel insects such as citronella candles, repellent jackets and lawnmower foggers. Their effectiveness will depend upon the homeowner using them according to directions.
- ▲ Use insect repellents labeled for mosquito control on skin and clothing;  
**USE ALL INSECTICIDES AND REPELLENTS AS DIRECTED ON THE LABEL.**



**If you have any questions or need further information, call your local health department or mosquito control program. We need your help controlling mosquitoes. It's time to bite back!**



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